

From: Abramoff, Jack (DC)
Sent: Monday, August 02, 1999 5:19 PM
To: Ralston, Susan (DC)
Subject: FW: RMI Meeting Summary
Please pull out my assignments and put them on the call sheet, and remind me about them each Monday. Thanks.

-----Original Message-----

From: Calvert, Jennifer (DC)
Sent: Monday, August 02, 1999 6:43 PM
To: *RMI (DC)
Subject: RMI Meeting Summary

In today's meeting we went over discussed the agenda items and assignments were made for the issues at hand. Please note your listed duties for this client.

President Kabua's Visit to Washington, DC (September 6-10)

Goal is to arrange a joint meeting for President Kabua to address the House and Senate.

Shawn and Bill will work on this task, and arrange for an invitation from the House leadership.

"Plan B" is to hold a dinner in Statuary Hall or the Board of Education Room and have President Kabua address the attendees.

David will work with Representatives Rohrabacher and Doolittle to arrange a meeting for President Kabua with Secretary of Defense Cohen.

Werner will work with Representative George Miller to get Gephardt to (1) agree to joint meeting with Kabua and/or (2) meet with President Kabua.

Pat will arrange for a meeting/luncheon at the Heritage Foundation and work with the Washington Times on press.

Jack will work with the Washington Post on press. Jack will also work with Greg Hilton.

Werner will work with the Brookings Institute to arrange a luncheon/briefing.

We will try to get President Kabua to extend his stay so that he may attend the Redskins-Dallas football game (fundraiser for DeLay and Don Young in the suite) on September 12. Jack will check with DeLay regarding the President's attendance and Jennifer will check with the Youngs regarding the President's attendance.

Y2K Funding
Bill and Shawn will work on obtaining \$500,000 for the RMI through the Department of Defense Appropriations bill.

From: Abramoff, Jack (DC)
Sent: Wednesday, August 18, 1999 5:09 AM
To: Vasell, Shawn (DC)
Subject: RE: President Kabua Visit to Washington, DC September 6-12, 1999

Importance: High
PLEASE NOTE QUESTIONS BELOW IN ALL CAPS.

Here are some general thoughts. This schedule needs a lot more meat before you come close to presenting it to them. There is no reason to hold him over for the Redskins game if you don't fill up Friday better. What is the story with the Fishing trip? You need Funderburk to work this one very hard. Dennis should help. Have you worked out logistics on this? Please get this moving. A small event with very few people (who have no consequence) would be a disaster.

You need some one on one interviews with friendlies, such as Human Events. You need more significant meetings, such as with former Secretaries of State. Hilton can do this. Get Hilton on the phone and get him involved asap. Show him what you have and ask his help making it grander. He is really good at this. I sent him stuff on this already. Call him today.

Basically, we have a lot of work to do here, but this could be an amazing trip if you can bring it up to the next level quickly. You are leaving soon and cannot show your face there unless you have the mother of all trips.

-----Original Message-----

From: Vasell, Shawn (DC)
Sent: Tuesday, August 17, 1999 5:47 PM
To: Abramoff, Jack (DC)
Subject: President Kabua Visit to Washington, DC September 6-12, 1999

Jack,

Below is tentative itinerary for President Kabua. We will need leadership help with lunch and floor actions. Please let me know asap how we should proceed. A letter of invite to President Kabua should probably go out by the end of the week.

Thanks.

MEMORANDUM

FROM: Shawn Vasell
DATE: August 17, 1999
RE: President Kabua Visit to Washington, DC September 6-12, 1999

This memorandum highlights objectives and themes and outlines a tentative schedule of events and actions to be undertaken for the visit of President Kabua to Washington.

Goals and Objectives

Establish a positive and constructive environment on Capitol Hill for President Kabua to articulate the RMI position for the Compact negotiations

Advance the RMI position on nuclear claims and resettlement issues and to submit changed circumstances petition to the Congress and the Administration

Communicate RMI position to Washington, DC public policy interests and national press corps

Develop power foreign policy image of President Kabua in Washington and the RMI

Complete coverage of President Kabua Washington visit in RMI media on daily basis

Tuesday, September 7, 1999

11 AM Meeting at Preston Gates with RMI Team

1 PM Lunch at TBD with Preston Gates RMI Team I THINK WE SHOULD USE THE LUNCH FOR SOMETHING OTHER THAN OUR TEAM. PERHAPS WE SHOULD TRY TO LINE UP SOME INVESTMENT FIRMS. I AM SURE WE CAN FIND A NUMBER OF THOSE TYPES IN TOWN WHO WOULD BE WILLING TO MEET WITH THE PRESIDENT OF A COUNTRY.

7 PM Dinner with Representatives TBD at TBD ARE THESE CONGRESSMEN? WE HAVE TO FILL OUT THIS DAY BETTER

Wednesday, September 8, 1999

10:30 AM Presentation at Grover Norquist Conservative Forum REPLACE THIS WITH GROVER GIVING HIM A TAX PAYER AWARD OF SOME SORT. GROVER IS OUT OF THE COUNTRY NOW, BUT I'LL CALL HIM NEXT WEEK (PLEASE HAVE SUSAN REMIND ME!). IT SHOULD BE IN A DIFFERENT TIME SLOT. HILTON CAN HELP FILL THIS ONE.

12 PM Lunch in Honor of President Kabua and RMI Hosted by House Leadership Speaker's Dinner Room, U.S. Capitol

2-5 PM Hill/Administration Meetings (See attached Member/Administration list for meeting targets)

7 PM Dinner with Representatives TBD at TBD DO WE HAVE A CONSERVATIVE/THINK TANKERS DINNER. HOW ABOUT CONTACTING HERITAGE AND ALLOWING THEM TO HOST IT IN THEIR BOARD ROOM?

Thursday, September 9, 1999

10 AM RMI Resolution Considered on House Floor
U.S. House of Representatives, U.S. Capitol

12 PM Presentation at Washington Policy Organization
Heritage Foundation/National Security Caucus Foundation/Cato/CAGW/CSE WE SHOULD TRY TO GET HERITAGE FOR THE NIGHT BEFORE AND MAKE THIS ONE GREGG HILTON. YOU NEED TO CALL HIM. I SENT HIM INFO ON THIS.

2-5 PM Hill/Administration Meetings

5:30 PM RMI Reception
Ways and Means Committee Room
H-137 U.S. Capitol

8 PM Dinner/Possible RMI Embassy Event

Friday, September 10, 1999

11 AM Washington Times Editorial Board

1-5 PM Hill/Administration Meetings

Saturday, September 11, 1999

8 AM RMI Congressional Fishing Trip

Sunday, September 12, 1999

1 PM Redskins Game

Member of Congress Meeting Targets

House

Chairman Don Young (Resources)
Ranking Member George Miller (Resources)
Chairman Ben Gilman (IR)
Ranking Member Sam Gejdenson (IR)
Chairman Doug Bereuter (Asia/Pacific Subcommittee)
Ranking Member Tom Lantos (Asia/Pacific Subcommittee)
GOP and DEM Leadership

Senate

Chairman Frank Murkowski (ENR)
Ranking Member Jeff Bingaman (ENR)
Chairman Jesse Helms (Foreign Relations)
Ranking Member Joe Biden (Foreign Relations)
Chairman Craig Thomas (Asia/Pacific Subcommittee)
Ranking Member John Kerry (Asia/Pacific Subcommittee)
GOP and DEM Leadership

Administration

Secretary Bill Richardson (DOE)
Secretary William Cohen (DOD)
Assistant Secretary Stanley Roth (State Department)

From: Vasell, Shawn (DC)
Sent: Monday, August 30, 1999 9:55 PM
To: 'tdebrum@yahoo.com'
Cc: 'zz--Ambassador Banny de Brum (email)'; 'Matt Zackhras'; Abramoff, Jack (DC); Ralston, Susan (DC)
Subject: President Kabua Visit to DC (September 6-13)

Importance: High
Yokwe Tony,

Below is Kabua itinerary. We are still waiting on meeting confirmation times from some Congressional offices and the Department of Energy. Because the exact times for these meetings have not been confirmed, I have noted them generally as Hill/Administration meeting in order for you to gauge when they will be taking place. The target Members are below. Please call me once you have reviewed to discuss.

Also, did you get my fax and messages?

Regards,

Shawn

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Ranking Member George Miller (Resources)
Chairman Ben Gilman (IR)
Ranking Member Sam Gejdenson (IR)
Chairman Dcug Bereuter (Asia/Pacific Subcommittee)
Ranking Member Tom Lantos (Asia/Pacific Subcommittee)
Rep. Hansen (future Chairman Resources)
Chairman Spence (Armed Services)
Rep. Curt Weldon (Science Committee and SDI)
Rep. Walter Jones (Resources and Armed Services)
Rep. Dana Rohrabacher (IR)

Senate

Chairman Frank Murkowski (ENR)
Ranking Member Jeff Bingaman (ENR)
Chairman Jesse Helms (Foreign Relations)
Ranking Member Joe Biden (Foreign Relations)
Chairman Craig Thomas (Asia/Pacific Subcommittee)
Ranking Member John Kerry (Asia/Pacific Subcommittee)

GOP and DEM Leadership

Speaker Hastert
Majority Leader Arney
Majority Whip DeLay

President Kabua Visit to DC (September 6-13)

Monday, September 6, 1999

___ AM President Kabua Arrival

3 PM Trip Briefing with Jack Abramoff, David Funderburk and Shawn Vasell
(Location to be determined)

Tuesday, September 7, 1999

TUESDAY MAY BE CHANGED FOR U.S. NAVAL ACADEMY EVENT (The Naval Academy event would consist of a lunch with Admiral and other high ranking Academy officers, President Kabua address to midshipmen class and naval vessel trip.)

1 PM Washington Times (Meeting with Helle Bering and Editorial Board Members)

3-5:30 PM Additional Media Interview of Hill/Administration Meeting

Wednesday, September 8, 1999

9:30-11:30 AM Hill/Administration Meetings

12 PM Lunch with Democrat Members of Congress at U.S. Capitol

2 PM Meeting with Ranking Member George Miller (Resources) 2205 Rayburn HOB

3:15 PM Meeting with Representative Hansen (Future-Chairman, Resources)

4-6 PM Hill/Administration Meetings

6-8 PM Americans for Tax Reform Event Hosted by Grover Norquist

___ PM Special Order on Floor of U.S. House of Representatives Honoring President Kabua and RMI and to Discuss RMI-U.S. Relationship and Relations with State Department

Thursday, September 9, 1999

8:30 AM Heritage Foundation Policy Forum on RMI

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2 PM Meeting with Representative Walter Jones (Resources and Armed Services)
422 Cannon HOB

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5:30 PM RMI Reception Hosted by Chairman Don Young
Ways and Means Committee Room
H-137 U.S. Capitol

Friday, September 10, 1999

IN THE EVENT U.S. NAVAL ACADEMY EVENT IS ON TUESDAY, SOME OF TUESDAY'S
ACTIVITIES WILL BE WORKED INTO FRIDAY'S SCHEDULE

9-11:30 AM Hill/Administration Meetings

12 PM Lunch with U.S. Corporate Executives and Investors Hosted
by NATIONAL SECURITY CAUCUS

2-4 PM Hill/Administration Meetings

Saturday, September 11, 1999

CONGRESSIONAL FISHING TRIP (Annapolis, Maryland)

Sunday, September 12, 1999

1 PM Redskins Game (Majority Whip DeLay)

Monday, September 13, 1999

__ AM President Kabua Depart DC

From: Vasell, Shawn (DC)
Sent: Tuesday, August 31, 1999 6:30 PM
To: 'tdebrum@yahoo.com'; 'zz--Ambassador Banny de Brum (email)'; 'Matt Zackhras'
Cc: Abramoff, Jack (DC); Ralston, Susan (DC)
Subject: Letter to Tony de Brum RE: President's Visit

Importance: High
The letter and schedule have been faxed to Finance Minister de Brum in Majuro.

August 31, 1999

VIA FACSIMILE

Finance Minister Tony de Brum
Republic of the Marshall Islands
Post Office Box 66
96960 Majuro, MH
Marshall Islands

Dear Tony:

Since our last communication regarding the President's scheduled, I am happy to report that all the major events we discussed have been confirmed. Although the itinerary is not 100% complete, the attached schedule should provide the President, Foreign Minister and you a good idea of the week's events. Our office is still waiting for confirmation of meeting times with some Members of Congress who sit on the committees of jurisdiction for RMI issues but have received very positive feed back from these offices about the President's planned trip, and Members we have met with regarding the trip are eager to meet with him (the same can be said for the non-government policy makers who are hosting events for the President while he is in town). Rest assured that these meetings and times will be confirmed before the end of the week.

As discussed between our office and the Ambassador and you through meetings, memorandum and verbal communications, the visit by the President was to be unofficial and that the agreed upon objectives were as follows:

establish a positive and constructive environment on Capitol Hill for President Kabua to articulate the RMI position for the Compact negotiations;
advance the RMI position on nuclear claims and resettlement issues and to submit changed circumstances petition to the Congress and the Administration;
communicate RMI position to Washington public policy interests and national press corps; and
develop power foreign policy image of President Kabua in Washington and the RMI for RMI October elections.

I believe the meetings scheduled, policy forums to be held on the RMI, the meetings with the press and the social events planned for the week successfully accomplish these goals and will advance the RMI's agenda and image in DC.

One concern I have is a recent email communication from the Matt Zackhras at the Embassy (see attached). I hope that the attached schedule explaining each agenda on the itinerary will lay to rest the Ambassador's concerns. Please contact me once you have reviewed the schedule and the accompanying explanations

to discuss. As always, I can be contacted at one of the following four phone numbers or you can page me at the email address provided.

(202) 783-8628
(202) 253-0612
(703) 524-8725
Pager Phone Number: 1-800-sky-tel2 pin# 1202272
Pager Email: 12C2272@skytel.com

Sincerely,

Shawn Vasell
Government Affairs Analyst

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President Kabua Visit to DC (September 6-13)

Monday, September 6, 1999

3 PM Trip Briefing with Jack Abramoff, David Funderburk and Shawn Vasell
(Location to be determined)

This trip briefing is to review the finalized schedule with the President, the Ministers and the Ambassador. Preston Gates will provide analysis and counsel to the President, the Ministers and the Ambassador on the importance of the scheduled events.

Tuesday, September 7, 1999

TUESDAY MAY BE CHANGED FOR U.S. NAVAL ACADEMY EVENT (The Naval Academy event would consist of a lunch with Admiral and other high ranking Academy officers, President Kabua address to midshipmen class and naval vessel trip.)

1 PM Washington Times (Meeting with Helle Bering and Editorial Board Members)

The Washington Times meeting with the paper's editorial board provides the President and the Ministers the unique opportunity to advocate and discuss the RMI's policy agenda (DC and foreign). The Washington Times is one of two major newspapers in DC and reports extensively on the Asia-Pacific region (the WTimes has a weekly page dedicated to the region). Once the Compact negotiations are initiated and other events regarding the RMI (like the appointment of a new U.S. ambassador to the RMI) begin to receive media coverage in the U.S., it is critical that members of the national press corps are both familiar with the RMI and have been briefed by RMI officials on their policy objectives.

3-5:30 PM Additional Media Interview of Hill/Administration Meeting

Wednesday, September 8, 1999

10 AM One Minute Speeches by Members of Congress Regarding
RMI-U.S. Relationship and Relations with
State Department

To ensure that the Special Order to be presented by Members of Congress is bipartisan, one minute speeches (one hour is set aside every morning in the House for Members to rise and present a one minute speech on any given topic) given by some of the RMI's closest allies will detail the tenuous relationship between Ambassador Plaisted and the RMI. In addition to the one minute speeches by these Members, an op-ed placed by a conservative journalist will appear in The Washington Times critical of Ambassador Plaisted and the U.S. State Department.

2 PM Meeting with Ranking Member George Miller (Resources)
2205 Rayburn HOB

This meeting has been scheduled and is significant due to Congressman Miller's position on the Resources Committee and his continued support for the RMI, especially in regards to the nuclear legacy.

3:15 PM Meeting with Representative Hansen (Future-Chairman,
Resources)

This meeting has been scheduled and is significant because Congressman Hansen will be chairman of the Resources Committee in the 107th Congress. Due to term limits of House committee chairs, Chairman Young will move from chairman of the Resources Committee to chairman of the Transportation Committee.

4-6 PM Hill/Administration Meetings

6-8 PM Americans for Tax Reform Event Hosted by Grover Norquist

ATR is one of the premiere conservative economic think tanks in the country. Grover Norquist, President of ATR, will present an award to President Kabua commending him for the RMI Government's recent achievements in reforming the public sector, reducing the import taxes, and the President's continued commitment to a free market economy. This event will highlight the RMI's commitment to self-sufficiency and will provide Washington, DC policy makers and press an opportunity learn about the RMI and its economy.

PM Special Order on Floor of U.S. House of Representatives
Honoring President Kabua and RMI and to Stress the RMI-US Strategic
Relationship

Time has been reserved on the House floor for Members of Congress to present speeches honoring

Marshall Islands. It will be the House's honor to have President Kabua in the House chamber while Members present their speeches. An invitation from the U.S. Congress is not necessary for this event and would not be appropriate.

Thursday, September 9, 1999

8:30 AM Heritage Foundation Policy Forum on RMI

The Heritage Foundation is the "premier" conservative think tank in Washington, DC dealing with the U.S. Congress. The Heritage Foundation specializes in economic and foreign policy as well as missile defense and the Asia-Pacific region. This forum is an excellent opportunity for the RMI to promote its economic agenda and its foreign policy with the U.S. Heritage fully acknowledges the RMI's critical role in helping the free world win the Cold War and its key role in developing a theater missile defense system. Heritage is also very supportive of the RMI's Reagan renaming efforts. This forum is also a good chance to discuss the nuclear legacy and the Department of Energy's lackluster performance in assisting the RMI people and to discuss the RMI's relationship with the State Department and Ambassador Plaisted.

12 PM Lunch in Honor of President Kabua and RMI Hosted by House leadership at U.S. Capitol

This lunch will be hosted by Majority Whip Tom DeLay and will be attending only by Members of Congress. Again, no invitations are needed as event is already confirmed.

2 PM Meeting with Representative Walter Jones (Resources and Armed Services)
422 Cannon HOB

The meeting is significant because Congressman Jones sits on committees of great importance to the RMI. Congressman Jones is also one of the RMI's biggest supporters in the Congress and would like to discuss what he can do to assist President Kabua and the RMI during the Compact negotiations. Congressman Jones is one of the congressmen who wrote a letter to the Secretary of the Air Force regarding the Aloha situation.

3:30 PM Hill/Administration Meetings

5:30 PM RMI Reception Hosted by Chairman Don Young
Ways and Means Committee Room
H-137 U.S. Capitol

This reception will allow President Kabua and the Ministers provides a social setting for Members of Congress and high ranking congressional professionals to meet and converse. The reception is at the U.S. Capitol and is being hosted by the Chairman and Ranking Member of the House Resources Committee.

Friday, September 10, 1999

IN THE EVENT U.S. NAVAL ACADEMY EVENT IS ON TUESDAY, SOME OF TUESDAY'S ACTIVITIES WILL BE WORKED INTO FRIDAY'S SCHEDULE

9-11:30 AM Hill/Administration Meetings

12 PM Lunch with U.S. Corporate Executives and Investors Hosted
by NATIONAL SECURITY CAUCUS

Please see the attached invitation from the National Security Foundation. You should already have a copy of the invitation as it was faxed to the cabinet secretary earlier this week. Please let us know immediately if this is an event the President would be interested in pursuing as I need to get back to the NSC.

2-4 PM Hill/Administration Meetings

Saturday, September 11, 1999

3 PM - ? CONGRESSIONAL FISHING TRIP (Annapolis, Maryland)

This is an opportunity for the President and the Ministers to relax with Members of Congress and high ranking congressional professionals. The informal nature of the engagement will allow the President and the Minister to forge relationships with the Congress.

Sunday, September 12, 1999

1 PM Redskins Game

The event will allow the President and the Ministers the opportunity to attend a function for select Members of Congress and Washington, DC elite.

Monday, September 13, 1999

— AM President Kabua Depart DC

From: Vasell, Shawn (DC)
Sent: Friday, August 27, 1999 10:30 AM
To: Abramoff, Jack (DC)
Subject: RE: President Kabua Visit to DC (September 6-13)
I spoke with Tony this morning. He said we will do the lunch on Thursday at noon. It will either be in Tom's conference room or one of the Member's dining rooms. He needs to check with Susan H. on Monday on conference room availability. Tony said the best night for a special order is Wednesday. He also said it is not too late to take up the Gilman resolution if we can get Young and Gilman to introduce and get leadership's approval on putting it on the suspension calendar.

I called Marase at Outrigger in RMI and left a message. He hadn't checked in yet. I have been mailing him at surferboy email address -- still no replies. Will try him again today.

I will speak with Jonathan about investors lunch. I left message for G. Hilton this morning on NSCF events -- will try again after lunch. I agree we don't need a RMI Team meeting with the President.

Bart Roper is still waiting to hear back from US Naval academy about Tuesday's event.

I will work with Susan R. and Andrea on logistics for fishing trip and will have David and Jennifer and Bill work on getting members. Will also place call to Richardson once we have the boat reserved and times nailed down.

A possible PGERM reception can be a back up plan if something falls through -- like naval academy event.

-----Original Message-----
From: Abramoff, Jack (DC)
Sent: Friday, August 27, 1999 1:13 PM
To: Vasell, Shawn (DC)
Subject: RE: President Kabua Visit to DC (September 6-13)

Please note my comments below.

-----Original Message-----
From: Vasell, Shawn (DC)
Sent: Friday, August 27, 1999 1:18 AM
To: Abramoff, Jack (DC)
Subject: President Kabua Visit to DC (September 6-13)

Jack, Below is Kabua itinerary. Comments in CAPS are action items. Events/meetings confirmed are noted.

President Kabua Visit to DC (September 6-13)

Monday, September 6, 1999

__ AM President Kabua Arrival

3 PM Trip Briefing with Jack Abramoff and Shawn Vasell (Location to be determined)

Tuesday, September 7, 1999

WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THE WASHINGTON TIMES EVENT IN THE AM, TUESDAY MAY BE CHANGED FOR U.S. NAVAL ACADEMY EVENT -- WAITING ON CONFIRMATION FROM DAVID.

10 AM Washington Times (Meeting with Helle Bering and Editorial Board Members) CONFIRMED

11:30 AM RMI Team Meeting at Preston Gates I DON'T SEE THE NEED FOR THIS MEETING. JUST MAKE SURE DAVID, YOU AND I BRIEF HIM ON MONDAY. THAT'S ENOUGH. THE ONLY OTHER THING WE COULD DO IS HOLD ONE OF THE RECEPTIONS IN OUR OFFICE, LIKE WE DID FOR THE CAMBODIANS. OTHERWISE, SKIP

1 PM Lunch with Investment Group Executives ASK JONATHAN FOR IDEAS ON SETTING THIS UP

3-5:30 PM Additional Media Interview or Hill/Administration Meeting

Wednesday, September 8, 1999

9:30-11:30 AM Hill/Administration Meetings

12 PM Lunch with U.S. Foreign Policy Specialists and Former U.S. Heads of State -- WILL DISCUSS WITH G. HILTON FIRST THING IN THE MORNING TO DETERMINE ACTIONS TAKEN

2 PM Meeting with Ranking Member George Miller (Resources) CONFIRMED
2205 Rayburn HOB

3:15 PM Meeting with Representative Hansen (Future-Chairman, Resources) CONFIRMED

4-6 PM Hill/Administration Meetings

7 PM U.S. National Security Council Event (Dinner) -- WILL DISCUSS WITH G. HILTON FIRST THING IN THE MORNING TO DETERMINE ACTIONS TAKEN

__ PM Special Order on Floor of U.S. House of Representatives Honoring President Kabua and RMI and to Discuss RMI-U.S. Relationship and Relations with State Department -- NEED TO DISCUSS SCHEDULE WITH T. RUDY FOR TIMING. DAVID HAS RECEIVED COMMITMENT FROM SCARBOROUGH TO PRESENT A SPEECH. WE WILL LIKELY NEED TO LINE UP DANA TO DELIVER ANTI-PLAISTED SPEECH. THIS TOP PRIORITY. 4 SPEECHES HAVE BEEN DRAFTED. WORKING ON 4- 6 MORE. WILL DISTRIBUTE DRAFTS TO TEAM TOMORROW MORNING FOR MEMBER DISTRIBUTION. BILL AND JENNIFER HAVE BEEN IN CONTACT WITH RESOURCES MEMBERS. CALL TONY YOURSELF. HE IS ON CELL AT 225-9211

Thursday, September 9, 1999

8:30 AM Heritage Foundation Policy Forum on RMI CONFIRMED TIME HAD TO BE CHANGED FROM LUNCH TO BREAKFAST BECAUSE ALL HERITAGE EVENT ROOMS WERE BOOKED SOLID.

10:30 AM RMI Resolution Considered on House Floor (Reintroduce Gilman Res. from 105th Congress)

U.S. House of Representatives, U.S. Capitol -- TRYING TO REACH
MANASE TONIGHT IN MAJURO TO DISCUSS. HE HAS NOT RESPONDED TO ANY EMAILS
OR RETURNED VMAIL SINCE DEPARTING FROM DC. WILL ALSO DISCUSS LOGISTICS
WITH T. RUDY IN AM. MANASE IS NOT CHECKING HIS REGULAR EMAIL. HIS HOME
EMAIL IS BEING CHECKED. DO YOU HAVE THIS, IF NOT CHECK WITH SUSAN. IT'S
SOMETHING LIKE SURFER BOY OR SOMETHING LIKE THAT

12 PM Lunch in Honor of President Kabua and RMI Hosted by House
Leadership at U.S. Capitol -- WILL DISCUSS
LOGISTICS WITH T. RUDY IN AM AND POSSIBLE MEMBER GUEST
LIST.

2 PM Meeting with Representative Walter Jones (Resources and Armed
Services)
422 Cannon HOB -- WILL LIKELY JUST GET HIM TO GO TO LEADERSHIP LUNCH.

3:30 PM Hill/Administration Meetings

5:30 PM RMI Reception CONFIRMED -- NEED TO CONFIRM THAT MILLER AND
YOUNG ARE SPONSORS OF EVENT; GUEST LIST HAS BEEN PREPARED --
JENNIFER IS CHECKING WITH YOUNG ON THIS AND SCHEDULING A MEETING
WITH CHAIRMAN; I AM ASKING MILLER'S SCHEDULER
Ways and Means Committee Room
H-137 U.S. Capitol

7:30 PM Event at RMI Embassy -- CANCELED -- BANNY DOESN'T SEE NEED TO
DO IT -- FINE BY ME

Friday, September 10, 1999

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BE WORKED INTO FRIDAY'S SCHEDULE

9-11:30 AM Hill/Administration Meetings

12 PM Lunch with Members of Congress at U.S. Capitol in Member's Dining
Room -- MEETING WITH WERNER TOMORROW TO DISCUSS POSSIBLE D LUNCH

2-4 PM Hill/Administration Meetings

Saturday, September 11, 1999

CONGRESSIONAL FISHING TRIP (Maryland) -- CAN GET CHARTERS OUT OF ANNAPOLIS. WE
HAVE 3 OPTIONS: 65 FOOT FISHING BOAT FOR 30 PEOPLE; 46 FOOT FISHING BOAT FOR 20
PEOPLE; OR 3 FISHING BOATS OF 6 AND HAVE A TOURNAMENT. EVENTS ON THE LARGER
BOATS KEEP EVERYONE THE THE GROUP TOGETHER. FISHING COMPETITION MAY BE MORE
FUN. THOUGHTS? KEEP THEM TOGETHER IF YOU CANCOST WILL BE \$1500-\$2000 EXCLUDING
CATERING AND MISC. PLEASE ADVISE ON HOW TO PROCEED TO GET MEMBERS. HAVE DAVID
WORK IT JENNIFER SHOULD ALSO WORK IT YOU SUGGESTED CONTACTING CRAIG RICHARDSON
AND MAKING THE EVENT A FUNDRAISER AS WELL. MINOR CONCERN: HOW IS THE EVENT
GOING TO BE THE RMI FISHING EVENT HOSTED BY KABUA WHILE BEING A FUNDRAISER FOR
X,Y,Z MEMBERS AT THE SAME TIME? IT DOES NOT HAVE TO BE HOSTED BY KABUA. HE CAN
BE A GUEST. I CAN MAKE A CONTRIBUTION TO A PAC IF THEY WANT.

Sunday, September 12, 1999

1 PM Redskins Game (Majority Whip DeLay and Chairman Don Young) --
HAVE YOU CHECKED WITH DELAY PEOPLE ON THIS? JENNIFER IS CHECKING
TO SEE IF YOUNG HAS ANY OBJECTIONS. YOUNG IS NOT DOING THAT
GAME. THE DELAY GUYS ARE FINE WITH IT, THOUGH YOU SHOULD REMIND CRAIG ABOUT
THIS

Monday, September 13, 1999

___ AM President Kabua Depart DC -- AMEN!

From: Vasell, Shawn (DC)
Sent: Monday, August 30, 1999 9:24 PM
To: Abramoff, Jack (DC)
Subject: RE: Meeting on President Kabua's Visit...
Still waiting for a call back from Tony. I did, however, get an email from the RMI Embassy saying that the President will be leaving Majuro on Saturday.

-----Original Message-----

From: Abramoff, Jack (DC)
Sent: Friday, August 27, 1999 1:13 PM
To: Vasell, Shawn (DC)
Cc: Ralston, Susan (DC)
Subject: RE: Meeting on President Kabua's Visit...

You should call Tony and lay this out. Tell him that these signals from the embassy are confusing us and we want a clear direction from Tony. Do this immediately and let me know how it goes. Make sure that you fax me the email on this one to the hotel so I can see it over the sabbath.

-----Original Message-----

From: Vasell, Shawn (DC)
Sent: Friday, August 27, 1999 12:42 AM
To: Abramoff, Jack (DC)
Subject: RE: Meeting on President Kabua's Visit...

I spoke with him at great length after he sent me this email. It was very frustrating to hear him and the Ambassador talking like this. I explained to him the importance of doing the WTimes editorial board meeting, the significance of the Heritage event (actually had to tell him that Heritage is the premier think tank in DC especially among Hill staff and how this event is one of the best on the schedule), let him know about the Hill meetings that have already been confirmed and discussed commitments from others that we are fitting into the schedule as well as all the other important members who have been contacted, and how the special order is coming together. Also let him know that we are doing everything possible to try and get the Gilman resolution reintroduced and passed during the visit.

The Ambassador is concerned about Kabua public speaking events (probably rightfully so) but I told him that we would draft speeches for him that are easy to deliver and that the Tony and Phillip will be at all the events to help him and promote the RMI as well (especially at the Heritage event and WTimes meeting).

I foresee a potential battle with these guys on the horizon regarding the schedule and will trim it down some, but I must say that all the events that are being confirmed are events that must be done -- I don't see how we can effectively run a policy campaign in DC for the RMI if they don't do most of these. I will constantly update Tony on the schedule. Maybe a call from you next week (mid-week) explaining the utmost importance of not backing out of any of the scheduled events and meetings will prevent potential embarrassment for us in having to cancel things. I am just a little concerned sometimes about the RMI guys' island time mentality.

-----Original Message-----

From: Abramoff, Jack (DC)
Sent: Thursday, August 26, 1999 9:04 PM
To: Vasell, Shawn (DC)

Subject: RE: Meeting on President Kabua's Visit...

Let me know when you have spoken with him. Weird email.,

-----Original Message-----

From: Vasell, Shawn (DC)
Sent: Thursday, August 26, 1999 11:31 AM
To: Abramoff, Jack (DC)
Subject: FW: Meeting on President Kabua's Visit...

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-----Original Message-----

From: Matt Zackhras [SMTP:mzackhras@rmiembassyus.org]
Sent: Thursday, August 26, 1999 11:26 AM
To: Vasell, Shawn (DC)
Subject: Meeting on President Kabua's Visit...

Shawn,

I am available to meet anytime in the morning tomorrow. Let me know what time is good for you and I'll fit it with my schedule. Everything was faxed to Ambassador last night and I followed up with a call this morning. Aside from a few comments, he thought the schedule looks fine. He is more worried about the highlight of the trip (Special Order on the Floor) and whether this trip will actually materialized since Congress is still in recess and that week starts off on a labor day holiday. I'll fill you in on other things he raised about the schedule..

Matt

From: Vasell, Shawn (DC)
Sent: Wednesday, September 01, 1999 9:43 AM
To: Abramoff, Jack (DC)
Subject: RE: Letter to Tony de Brum RE: President's Visit
sorry

-----Original Message-----

From: Abramoff, Jack (DC)
Sent: Wednesday, September 01, 1999 2:45 AM
To: Vasell, Shawn (DC)
Subject: RE: Letter to Tony de Brum RE: President's Visit

I agree completely. By the way, please don't wake me up if you know I am sick!
J

-----Original Message-----

From: Vasell, Shawn (DC)
Sent: Tuesday, August 31, 1999 8:53 PM
To: Abramoff, Jack (DC)
Subject: Letter to Tony de Brum RE: President's Visit
Importance: High

Jack,

Below is the letter to Tony. I discussed with Pat Pizzella and he recommended we advocate the schedule rather than harp on the miscommunications (however frustrating they are). He also recommended we reiterate the goals that have been agreed upon and show how we accomplished our end of the bargain and to put their concerns to rest through thorough explanation of the schedule. I think Pat's advise is sound. Let me know what you think.

Shawn

August 31, 1999

VIA FACSIMILE

Finance Minister Tony de Brum
Republic of the Marshall Islands
Post Office Box 66
96960 Majuro, MH
Marshall Islands

Dear Tony:

Since our last communication regarding the President's scheduled, I am happy to report that all the major events we discussed have been confirmed. Although the itinerary is not 100% complete, the attached schedule should provide the President, Foreign Minister and you a good idea of the week's events. Our office is still waiting for confirmation of meeting times with some Members of Congress who sit on the committees of jurisdiction for RMI issues but have received very positive feed back from these offices about the President's planned trip, and Members we have met with regarding the trip are eager to meet with him (the same can be said for the non-government policy makers who are hosting events for the President while he is in town). Rest assured that these meetings and times will be confirmed before the end of the week.

As discussed between our office and the Ambassador and you through meetings, memorandum and verbal communications, the visit by the President was to be unofficial and that the agreed upon objectives were as follows:

establish a positive and constructive environment on Capitol Hill for President Kabua to articulate the RMI position for the Compact negotiations;
advance the RMI position on nuclear claims and resettlement issues and to submit changed circumstances petition to the Congress and the Administration;
communicate RMI position to Washington public policy interests and national press corps; and
develop power foreign policy image of President Kabua in Washington and the RMI for RMI October elections.

I believe the meetings scheduled, policy forums to be held on the RMI, the meetings with the press and the social events planned for the week successfully accomplish these goals and will advance the RMI's agenda and image in DC. One concern I have is a recent email communication from the Matt Zackhras at the Embassy (see attached). I hope that the attached schedule explaining each agenda on the itinerary will lay to rest the Ambassadors concerns. Please contact me once you have reviewed the schedule and the explanations next to the scheduled event to discuss. As always, I can be contacted at one of the following four phone numbers or you can page me at the email address provided.

(202) 783-8628

(202) 253-0612

(703) 524-8725

Pager Phone Number: 1-800-sky-tel2 pin# 1202272

Pager Email: 1202272@skytel.com

Sincerely,

Shawn Vasell
Government Affairs Analyst

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President Kabua Visit to DC (September 6-13)

Monday, September 6, 1999

3 PM Trip Briefing with Jack Abramoff, David Funderburk and Shawn Vasell
(Location to be determined)

This trip briefing is to review the finalized schedule with the President, the Ministers and the Ambassador. Preston Gates will provide analysis and counsel to the President, the Ministers and the Ambassador on the importance of the scheduled events.

Tuesday, September 7, 1999

TUESDAY MAY BE CHANGED FOR U.S. NAVAL ACADEMY EVENT (The Naval Academy event would consist of a lunch with Admiral and other high ranking Academy officers, President Kabua address to midshipmen class and naval vessel trip.)

1 PM Washington Times (Meeting with Helle Bering and Editorial Board Members)

The Washington Times meeting with the paper's editorial board provides the President and the Ministers the unique opportunity to advocate and discuss the RMI's policy agenda (DC and foreign). The Washington Times is one of two major newspapers in DC and reports extensively on the Asia-Pacific region (the WTimes has a weekly page dedicated to the region). Once the Compact negotiations are initiated and other events regarding the RMI (like the appointment of a new U.S. ambassador to the RMI) begin to receive media coverage in the U.S., it is critical that members of the national press corps are both familiar with the RMI and have been briefed by RMI officials on their policy objectives.

3-5:30 PM Additional Media Interview or Hill/Administration Meeting

Wednesday, September 8, 1999

10 AM One Minute Speeches by Members of Congress Regarding RMI-U.S. Relationship and Relations with State Department

To ensure that the Special Order to be presented by Members of Congress is bipartisan, one minute speeches (one hour is set aside every morning in the House for Members to rise and present a one minute speech on any given topic) given by some of the RMI's closest allies will detail the tenuous relationship between Ambassador Plaisted and the RMI. In addition to the one minute speeches by these Members, an op-ed placed by a conservative journalist will appear in The Washington Times critical of Ambassador Plaisted and the U.S. State Department.

2 PM Meeting with Ranking Member George Miller (Resources) 2205 Rayburn HOB

This meeting has been scheduled and is significant due to Congressman Miller's position on the Resources Committee and his continued support for the RMI, especially in regards to the nuclear legacy.

3:15 PM Meeting with Representative Hansen (Future-Chairman, Resources)

This meeting has been scheduled and is significant because Congressman Hansen will be chairman of the Resources Committee in the 107th Congress. Due to term limits of House committee chairs, Chairman Young will move from chairman of the Resources Committee to chairman of the Transportation Committee.

4-6 PM Hill/Administration Meetings

6-8 PM Americans for Tax Reform Event Hosted by Grover Norquist

ATR is one of the premiere conservative economic think tanks in the country. Grover Norquist, President of ATR, will present an award to President Kabua commending him for the RMI Government's recent achievements in reforming the public sector, reducing the import taxes, and the President's continued commitment to a free market economy. This event will highlight the RMI's commitment to self-sufficiency and will provide Washington, DC policy makers and press an opportunity learn about the RMI and its economy.

___ PM Special Order on Floor of U.S. House of Representatives
Honoring President Kabua and RMI and to Stress the RMI-US Strategic
Relationship

Time has been reserved on the House floor for Members of Congress to present speeches honoring Marshall Islands. It will be the House's honor to have President Kabua in the House chamber while Members present their speeches. An invitation from the U.S. Congress is not necessary for this event and would not be appropriate.

Thursday, September 9, 1999

8:30 AM Heritage Foundation Policy Forum on RMI

The Heritage Foundation is the "premier" conservative think tank in Washington, DC dealing with the U.S. Congress. The Heritage Foundation specializes in economic and foreign policy as well as missile defense and the Asia-Pacific region. This forum is an excellent opportunity for the RMI to promote its economic agenda and its foreign policy with the U.S. Heritage fully acknowledges the RMI's critical role in helping the free world win the Cold War and its key role in developing a theater missile defense system. Heritage is also very supportive of the RMI's Reagan renaming efforts. This forum is also a good chance to discuss the nuclear legacy and the Department of Energy's lackluster performance in assisting the RMI people and to discuss the RMI's relationship with the State Department and Ambassador Plaisted.

12 PM Lunch in Honor of President Kabua and RMI Hosted by
House leadership at U.S. Capitol

This lunch will be hosted by Majority Whip Tom DeLay and will be attending only by Members of Congress. Again, no invitations are needed as event is already confirmed.

2 PM Meeting with Representative Walter Jones (Resources and
Armed Services) 422 Cannon HOB

The meeting is significant because Congressman Jones sits on committees of great importance to the RMI. Congressman Jones is also one of the RMI's biggest supporters in the Congress and would like to discuss what he can do to assist President Kabua and the RMI during the Compact negotiations. Congressman Jones is one of the congressmen who wrote a letter to the Secretary of the Air Force regarding the Aloha situation.

3:30 PM Hill/Administration Meetings

5:30 PM RMI Reception Hosted by Chairman Don Young
Ways and Means Committee Room
H-137 U.S. Capitol

This reception will allow President Kabua and the Ministers provides a social setting for Members of Congress and high ranking congressional professionals to meet and converse. The reception is at the U.S. Capitol and is being hosted by the Chairman and Ranking Member of the House Resources Committee.

Friday, September 10, 1999

IN THE EVENT U.S. NAVAL ACADEMY EVENT IS ON TUESDAY, SOME OF TUESDAY'S
ACTIVITIES WILL BE WORKED INTO FRIDAY'S SCHEDULE

9-11:30 AM Hill/Administration Meetings

12 PM Lunch with U.S. Corporate Executives and Investors Hosted
by NATIONAL SECURITY CAUCUS

Please see the attached invitation from the National Security Foundation. You should already have a copy of the invitation as it was faxed to the cabinet secretary earlier this week. Please let us know immediately if this is an event the President would be interested in pursuing as I need to get back to the NSC.

2-4 PM Hill/Administration Meetings

Saturday, September 11, 1999

3 PM - ? CONGRESSIONAL FISHING TRIP (Annapolis, Maryland)

This is an opportunity for the President and the Ministers to relax with Members of Congress and high ranking congressional professionals. The informal nature of the engagement will allow the President and the Minister to forge relationships with the Congress.

Sunday, September 12, 1999

1 PM Redskins Game

The event will allow the President and the Ministers the opportunity to attend a function for select Members of Congress and Washington, DC elite.

Monday, September 13, 1999

__ AM

President Kabua Depart DC

From: Vasell, Shawn (DC)
Sent: Wednesday, September 29, 1999 3:24 AM
To: Abramoff, Jack (DC)
Subject: Visit of His Excellency Imata Kabua Final Itinerary

Visit of His Excellency Imata Kabua
President of the Republic of the Marshall Islands
September 6-13, 1999

Monday, September 6, 1999

3 PM Trip Briefing with Jack Abramoff, David Funderburk and Shawn Vasell

Tuesday, September 7, 1999

10:45 AM Depart Preston Gates for United States Naval Academy
121 Blake Road, Annapolis, Maryland, 21402-5000

12:00 PM Lunch with Vice Admiral John R. Ryan, 56th Superintendent of the
United States Naval Academy

1:30 PM President Kabua Address to U.S. Naval Academy Midshipmen

2:30 PM Tour of and Cruise on USS Mitscher (DDG-57)

5:00 PM Depart U.S. Naval Academy for Washington, D.C.

Wednesday, September 8, 1999

10 AM One Minute Speeches by Members of Congress Regarding RMI-U.S.
Relationship and Relations with State Department (In addition, an op-ed placed
by a conservative journalist will appear in The Washington Times critical of
Ambassador Plaisted and the U.S. State Department)

12 PM Lunch in Members Dining Room of the U.S. House of Representatives
with Democrat Members of Congress from House Resources and International
Relations Committees

2 PM Meeting with Ranking Member George Miller (Resources)
2205 Rayburn HOB

3:15 PM Meeting with Representative Hansen (Future-Chairman, Resources)

4:45 PM Meeting with Senate Jeff Bingaman, Ranking Member of Senate Energy
and Natural Resources Committee

Wednesday, September 8, 1999 (Continued)

6-8 PM Americans for Tax Reform Event Hosted by Grover Norquist,
President

__ PM Special Order on Floor of U.S. House of Representatives Honoring
President Kabua and RMI and to Stress the RMI-US Strategic Relationship

Thursday, September 9, 1999

8:30 AM Heritage Foundation Policy Forum on RMI

12 PM Lunch in Honor of President Kabua Hosted by House Majority Whip Tom
DeLay
H-107, U.S. Capitol

2 PM Meeting with Representative Walter Jones (Resources and Armed
Services)
422 Cannon HCB

3:30 PM Meeting with House Speaker Dennis Hastert

4:00 PM Meeting with House Majority Leader Richard Armey

5:30 PM RMI Reception Hosted by Resources Committee Chairman Don Young and
Ranking Member George Miller
Ways and Means Committee Room
H-137 U.S. Capitol

Friday, September 10, 1999

10 AM Washington Times (Meeting with Helle Bering and Editorial Board
Members)

12 PM Lunch and Company Tour with Peter B. Teets, President, Lockheed Martin
Corp. and John V. Sponyoe, Chief Executive Officer for Global
Telecommunications, Lockheed Martin Corp.
Lockheed Martin Corporation, Arlington, VA

3:30 PM Meeting with Foreign Relations Committee Chairman Jesse Helms
(Tentative)

Friday, September 10, 1999 (Continued)

4:30 PM Meeting with Chairman Craig Thomas, Foreign Relations Committee
Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific

Saturday, September 11, 1999

3 PM - CONGRESSIONAL FISHING TRIP (Annapolis, Maryland)

Sunday, September 12, 1999

1 PM Washington Redskins v. Dallas Cowboys NFL Football Game

Monday, September 13, 1999

__ AM President Kabua Depart DC

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From: Abramoff, Jack (DC)
Sent: Friday, August 27, 1999 10:13 AM
To: Vasell, Shawn (DC)
Subject: RE: President Kabua Visit to DC (September 6-13)
Please note my comments below.

-----Original Message-----

From: Vasell, Shawn (DC)
Sent: Friday, August 27, 1999 1:18 AM
To: Abramoff, Jack (DC)
Subject: President Kabua Visit to DC (September 6-13)

Jack, Below is Kabua itinerary. Comments in CAPS are action items.
Events/meetings confirmed are noted.

President Kabua Visit to DC (September 6-13)

Monday, September 6, 1999

__ AM President Kabua Arrival

3 PM Trip Briefing with Jack Abramoff and Shawn Vasell (Location to
be determined)

Tuesday, September 7, 1999

WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THE WASHINGTON TIMES EVENT IN THE AM, TUESDAY MAY BE
CHANGED FOR U.S. NAVAL ACADEMY EVENT -- WAITING ON CONFIRMATION FROM DAVID.

10 AM Washington Times (Meeting with Helle Bering and Editorial
Board Members) CONFIRMED

11:30 AM RMI Team Meeting at Preston Gates I DON'T SEE THE NEED FOR
THIS MEETING. JUST MAKE SURE DAVID, YOU AND I BRIEF HIM ON MONDAY. THAT'S
ENOUGH. THE ONLY OTHER THING WE COULD DO IS HOLD ONE OF THE RECEPTIONS IN OUR
OFFICE, LIKE WE DID FOR THE CAMBODIANS. OTHERWISE, SKIP

1 PM Lunch with Investment Group Executives ASK JONATHAN FOR IDEAS
ON SETTING THIS UP

3-5:30 PM Additional Media Interview or Hill/Administration Meeting

Wednesday, September 8, 1999

9:30-11:30 AM Hill/Administration Meetings

12 PM Lunch with U.S. Foreign Policy Specialists and Former U.S.
Heads
of State -- WILL DISCUSS WITH G. HILTON FIRST THING IN THE MORNING TO
DETERMINE ACTIONS TAKEN

2 PM Meeting with Ranking Member George Miller (Resources)
CONFIRMED
2205 Rayburn HOB

3:15 PM Meeting with Representative Hansen (Future-Chairman,
Resources) CONFIRMED

4-6 PM Hill/Administration Meetings

7 PM U.S. National Security Council Event (Dinner) -- WILL DISCUSS
WITH G. HILTON FIRST THING IN THE MORNING TO DETERMINE ACTIONS TAKEN

___ PM Special Order on Floor of U.S. House of Representatives

Honoring

President Kabua and RMI and to Discuss RMI-U.S. Relationship
and Relations with State Department -- NEED TO DISCUSS SCHEDULE WITH T. RUDY FOR
TIMING. DAVID HAS RECEIVED COMMITMENT FROM SCARBOROUGH TO PRESENT A
SPEECH. WE WILL LIKELY NEED TO LINE UP DANA TO DELIVER ANTI-PLAISTED SPEECH.
THIS TOP PRIORITY. 4 SPEECHES HAVE BEEN DRAFTED. WORKING ON 4- 6 MORE. WILL
DISTRIBUTE DRAFTS TO TEAM TOMORROW MORNING FOR MEMBER DISTRIBUTION. BILL
AND JENNIFER HAVE BEEN IN CONTACT WITH RESOURCES MEMBERS. CALL TONY
YOURSELF. HE IS ON CELL AT 225-9211

Thursday, September 9, 1999

8:30 AM Heritage Foundation Policy Forum on RMI CONFIRMED TIME HAD TO
BE CHANGED FROM LUNCH TO BREAKFAST BECAUSE ALL HERITAGE EVENT ROOMS WERE
BOOKED SOLID.

10:30 AM RMI Resolution Considered on House Floor (Reintroduce Gilman
Res. from 105th Congress)
U.S. House of Representatives, U.S. Capitol -- TRYING TO REACH
MANASE TONIGHT IN MAJURO TO DISCUSS. HE HAS NOT RESPONDED TO ANY EMAILS
OR RETURNED VMAIL SINCE DEPARTING FROM DC. WILL ALSO DISCUSS LOGISTICS
WITH T. RUDY IN AM. MANASE IS NOT CHECKING HIS REGULAR EMAIL. HIS HOME
EMAIL IS BEING CHECKED. DO YOU HAVE THIS, IF NOT CHECK WITH SUSAN. IT'S
SOMETHING LIKE SURFER BOY OR SOMETHING LIKE THAT

12 PM Lunch in Honor of President Kabua and RMI Hosted by House
Leadership at U.S. Capitol -- WILL DISCUSS
LOGISTICS WITH T. RUDY IN AM AND POSSIBLE MEMBER GUEST
LIST.

2 PM Meeting with Representative Walter Jones (Resources and Armed
Services)
422 Cannon HOB -- WILL LIKELY JUST GET HIM TO GO TO LEADERSHIP LUNCH.

3:30 PM Hill/Administration Meetings

5:30 PM RMI Reception CONFIRMED -- NEED TO CONFIRM THAT MILLER AND
YOUNG ARE SPONSORS OF EVENT; GUEST LIST HAS BEEN PREPARED --
JENNIFER IS CHECKING WITH YOUNG ON THIS AND SCHEDULING A MEETING
WITH CHAIRMAN; I AM ASKING MILLER'S SCHEDULER
Ways and Means Committee Room
H-137 U.S. Capitol

7:30 PM Event at RMI Embassy -- CANCELED -- BANNY DOESN'T SEE NEED TO
DO IT -- FINE BY ME

Friday, September 10, 1999

IN THE EVENT U.S. NAVAL ACADEMY EVENT IS ON TUESDAY, TUESDAY'S ACTIVITIES WILL
BE WORKED INTO FRIDAY'S SCHEDULE

9-11:30 AM Hill/Administration Meetings

12 PM Lunch with Members of Congress at U.S. Capitol in Member's Dining Room -- MEETING WITH WERNER TOMORROW TO DISCUSS POSSIBLE D LUNCH

2-4 PM Hill/Administration Meetings

Saturday, September 11, 1999

CONGRESSIONAL FISHING TRIP (Maryland) -- CAN GET CHARTERS OUT OF ANNAPOLIS. WE HAVE 3 OPTIONS: 65 FOOT FISHING BOAT FOR 30 PEOPLE; 46 FOOT FISHING BOAT FOR 20 PEOPLE; OR 3 FISHING BOATS OF 6 AND HAVE A TOURNAMENT. EVENTS ON THE LARGER BOATS KEEP EVERYONE THE THE GROUP TOGETHER. FISHING COMPETITION MAY BE MORE FUN. THOUGHTS? KEEP THEM TOGETHER IF YOU CAN COST WILL BE \$1500-\$2000 EXCLUDING CATERING AND MISC. PLEASE ADVISE ON HOW TO PROCEED TO GET MEMBERS. HAVE DAVID WORK IT JENNIFER SHOULD ALSO WORK IT YOU SUGGESTED CONTACTING CRAIG RICHARDSON AND MAKING THE EVENT A FUNDRAISER AS WELL. MINOR CONCERN: HOW IS THE EVENT GOING TO BE THE RMI FISHING EVENT HOSTED BY KABUA WHILE BEING A FUNDRAISER FOR X, Y, Z MEMBERS AT THE SAME TIME? IT DOES NOT HAVE TO BE HOSTED BY KABUA. HE CAN BE A GUEST. I CAN MAKE A CONTRIBUTION TO A PAC IF THEY WANT.

Sunday, September 12, 1999

1 PM Redskins Game (Majority Whip DeLay and Chairman Dor Young) -- HAVE YOU CHECKED WITH DELAY PEOPLE ON THIS? JENNIFER IS CHECKING TO SEE IF YOUNG HAS ANY OBJECTIONS. YOUNG IS NOT DOING THAT GAME. THE DELAY GUYS ARE FINE WITH IT, THOUGH YOU SHOULD REMIND CRAIG ABOUT THIS

Monday, September 13, 1999

___ AM President Kabua Depart DC -- AMEN!

From: Abramoff, Jack (DC)
Sent: Tuesday, August 31, 1999 11:07 AM
To: Vasell, Shawn (DC)
Subject: FW: President Kabua's Visit

Importance: High

Send me a proposed response to this asap. You have been in touch in writing (email) with Tony Debrum, have you not? Put in your response that you have been in touch and list all of the dates you have sent something to him. I am upset by this (as I know you are).

-----Original Message-----

From: Matt Zackhras [mailto:mzackhras@zmiembassyus.org]
Sent: Tuesday, August 31, 1999 11:04 AM
To: Vasell, Shawn (DC)
Cc: Abramoff, Jack (DC); Funderburk, David (DC); Ralston, Susan (DC)
Subject: President Kabua's Visit

Iokwe Everyone,

I had a long and frank discussion with Ambassador deBrum about the proposed trip for President Kabua beginning next week before he sat down in a briefing meeting with Minister Phillip Muller.

He had a few questions which I myself could not respond to. He had requested whether an invitation letter from Congress was being send regarding the Special Order on the Floor, and also other meetings/activities on the Hill. Will he be required to speak or would members of Congress do the talking in honoring him. Please advise.

At these receptions, for instance the one held at Ways and Means Committee Room, who will host it? What investment group are we suggesting the President meet with on Tuesday? Who are the audience at the Heritage Foundation Forum? Who will be the host for the luncheon on Friday? What are the basis of meeting with the Tax Reform Event? Please bear with us since we are still unclear on some of the activities proposed. I hope you will understand. The Ambassador would feel more comfortable, given the short period ahead in receiving confirmations from these various offices, that letters be send from members of Congress saying they will be available to meet with the President. He also requested that a letter from Jack to Minister Muller and Tony should be send as soon as possible (by today if possible) advising them of the current status of things and the activities to take place whil in Washington. The Office of the President is awaiting a response from Minister Muller on the trip and it has been difficult for him to brief the President without an update from Preston Gates. The letter should mention whether the President should make preparations to visit Washington, or recommerd that the whole trip be deferred until next time. We should not let the President come to Washington with the understanding that most of the meetings are still unconfirmed. Given the lateness in finalizing the schedule, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade/President's Office has had difficulty finalizing travels plans and the list of delegation to accompany the President. The Embassy has yet to make hotel accomodations, and cleared the President's delegation with the State Departement Protocol and Secret Service, etc. since we have not heard any clear indication whether this trip will actually materialized. This is a "head of state" visit that should have been final weeks ahead of schedule.

I hope you can help shed some light in some of these small queries and also be able to tell us whether the President should begin making travel plans to visit to meet with both members of Congress and the US Administration.

The Embassy expect to receive a letter from Preston Gates as soon as conveniently possible on the above. All in all, the schedule does look great. We hope we can also advise the President and Ministers on the best alternatives, should there be any, if things continue to take time to confirm as members of Congress and Administration will most likely be arriving at later dates from the LABOR DAY holidays. Please bear in mind that we have only three days until the proposed date (this Saturday) for the President to depart Majuro for Washington. I hope you will correct me if I am wrong.

With Warmest Regards,

Matt

From: Abramoff, Jack (DC)
Sent: Friday, July 09, 1999 5:02 AM
To: Vasell, Shawn (DC)
Subject: RE: Yokwe Tony
Thanks Shawn. Responses below.

-----Original Message-----

From: Vasell, Shawn (DC)
Sent: Friday, July 09, 1999 1:32 AM
To: Abramoff, Jack (DC)
Subject: RE: Yokwe Tony

Jim and I started compiling a record of www mishaps and inappropriate behavior and statements and will pen some statements tomorrow morning and will have something for your review by the afternoon. Any idea who we want to go to the floor to attack her -- Rohrabacher?; possibly get Don Young to drop something for Extension of Remarks; Robin Hayes (Resources)? HAYES IS A GREAT IDEA. I THINK THE BEST IS TO LINE UP THREE MEMBERS WHO WILL GO TO THE WELL FIRST THING AND READ 2 MINUTES ON THIS. HAYES IS GOOD. WE SHOULD SHOOT FOR CHENOWETH (PAT) AND ONE OTHER (MAYBE POMBO - ASK BILL TO DO THIS). DAVID SHOULD DO HAYES. PROBABLY WE SHOULD LINE UP SOME OTHERS AS BACK UPS IN CASE ANYONE DOES NOT DO IT. THEN THEY CAN PLAY THIS IN RMI AS MEMBERS TAKE THE FLOOR IN OUTRAGE OR SOMETHING LIKE THAT. PLEASE SEE IF YOU CAN LINE THIS UP WITH THOSE GUYS.
THANKS

Also, we drafted three letters regarding the Johnston Atoll situation and are working to get Reps. Saxton (Resources and Armed Services), Duncan (Aviation and Resources) and Walter Jones (Resources and Armed Services) to sign off on them. The letters will be sent to Sec. of Air Force. These should be ready before you meet with Tony and are some other solid deliverables. SUPER. YOU SHOULD EMAIL THESE WITH YOUR REPORT TO HIM, AND MAKE SURE THAT SUSAN HAS A COPY OF THIS FOR MY PACKET WHICH I AM TAKING TO ASIA TO SEE HIM. THANKS SO MUCH.

Another item I am trying to nail down before you meet with him is to have Bill talk with Hastert's guy to get Hastert to start the planning for President Kabua's state visit in September. I met with one of the Speaker's guys who does alot of this planning for him and he stated that the best way to ensure that President Kabua's visit is recognized as "official" is to get Hastert to get his protocol people and Sargent at Arms to handle much of the planning in the House. WE SHOULD INFORM ED AND TONY ABOUT THIS AS WELL. CAN YOU PREPARE AN EMAIL WHICH I CAN SEND TO TONY ON THIS? ALSO, WE SHOULD SHOOT TO GET HIM TO ADDRESS THE CONGRESS. I BELIEVE THAT THIS HAPPENS AUTOMATICALLY IF ENOUGH MEMBERS REQUEST IT. CAN YOU CHECK THIS OUT? WHAT ARE THE DATES OF HIS TRIP? CAN YOU DO A MEMO BEFORE SUNDAY OF NEXT WEEK (A WEEK FROM THIS SUNDAY) OUTLINING WHAT WE ARE GOING TO DO FOR THEM FOR THIS TRIP WITH SOME REALLY INTERESTING, YET DOABLE BELLS AND WHISTLES - SUCH AS MEDIA, HERITAGE SPEECH, ETC.? THANKS

Are you in the office tomorrow? If not, lets make sure we talk between 10 and 12. I am leaving for North Carolina tomorrow afternoon around 1 PM. I AM OUT TODAY. PLEASE PAGE ME WHEN YOU WANT TO CHAT.

-----Original Message-----

From: Abramoff, Jack (DC)
Sent: Thursday, July 08, 1999 11:33 PM
To: Vasell, Shawn (DC)
Subject: RE: Yokwe Tony

Where are we on this?

-----Original Message-----

From: Vasell, Shawn (DC)
Sent: Thursday, July 08, 1999 10:26 AM
To: Abramoff, Jack (DC); 'Jack Pager'
Subject: RE: Yokwe Tony

I got. Started working on it yesterday afternoon. Let's discuss when I get out of CIS training at 12:30 pm.

-----Original Message-----

From: Abramoff, Jack (DC)
Sent: Wednesday, July 07, 1999 8:23 PM
To: Vasell, Shawn (DC)
Subject: FW: Yokwe Tony

OK, Shawn, now that I have laid down the gauntlet, you have to get it going! Let's discuss asap. Please call when you have read this one, or page me to call you.

-----Original Message-----

From: tony debrum [mailto:tdebrum@yahoo.com] <mailto:[mailto:tdebrum@yahoo.com]>
Sent: Wednesday, July 07, 1999 7:29 PM
To: Abramoff, Jack (DC)
Subject: RE: Yokwe Tony

Yokwe Jack:

We will broadcast it on the cable system and over the radio. I will even assign someone to hand carry the tape to Majuro if need be. www invited all kinds of people to her July4th bash and no one, repeat, no one from government attended except the Secretary of Foreign Affairs and that was in honor of the USA not www. See you in Ponape. tdb

--- "Abramoff, Jack (DC)" <jacka@prestongates.com
<mailto:jacka@prestongates.com>> wrote:

> Yokwe Tony,

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> Wonderful. Look forward to it. I expect next week
> we'll have one of our
> friends on the House floor attacking the WWW. If we
> get it on tape, can you
> guys broadcast it locally?

>

> Jack

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> -----Original Message-----

> From: tony debrum [SMTP:tdebrum@yahoo.com]
<mailto:[SMTP:tdebrum@yahoo.com]>

> Sent: Wednesday, July 07, 1999 10:23 AM

> To: Abramoff, Jack (DC)

> Subject: RE: Yokwe Tony

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> Yokwe Jack:

> President, Phillip and I and the girls will be at
> the inauguration.

> We

> will see you there. tdb

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> --- "Abramoff, Jack (DC)" <jacka@prestongates.com
<mailto:jacka@prestongates.com>
> wrote:
> > Yokwe Tony,
> >
> > Sorry, I am going to the inauguration. Sorry I
> left
> > that out. I'll be
> > going there from Guam on the 20th. We could
> > certainly meet there.
> > Whatever is convenient for you is fine. Just let
> me
> > know.
> >
> > Regards.
> >
> > -----Original Message-----
> > From: tony debrum [mailto:tdebrum@yahoo.com]
<mailto:{mailto:tdebrum@yahoo.com}>
> > Sent: Tuesday, July 06, 1999 11:48 PM
> > To: Abramoff, Jack (DC)
> > Subject: RE: Yokwe Tony
> >
> > Yokwe Jack:
> > Let me work that schedule a bit and see how we
> can
> > meet. Am
> > I assuming
> > right that you are not coming to the
> inauguration?
> > tdb
> >
> > --- "Abramoff, Jack (DC)"
> <jacka@prestongates.com <mailto:jacka@prestongates.com>
> > wrote:
> > > Yokwe Tony,
> > >
> > > My tentative schedule includes being in
> Manila
> > on
> > > July 14 and 15, Saipan on
> > > the 16th thru the 19th, Guam on the 19th
> > > (afternoon)
> > > to the afternoon of the
> > > 20th. Any of those look better or worse? I
> > > think
> > > Willie and I are going to
> > > try to see each other in Manila. Any chance
> of
> > > hooking up there?
> > >
> > > We have put in motion something for the WWW
> > > which
> > > will bring a smile to your
> > > face. I'll let you know in person!

> > >
> > > Regards.
> > >
> > > -----Original Message-----
> > > From: tony debrum
> > [mailto:tdebrum@yahoo.com] <mailto:[mailto:tdebrum@yahoo.com]>
> > > Sent: Tuesday, July 06, 1999 12:50
> AM
> > > To: Abramoff, Jack (DC)
> > > Subject: RE: Yokwe Tony
> > >
> > > Yokwe Jack:
> > >
> > > We should definitely meet if not in
> Ponape
> > ther. in
> > > Asia or
> > > somewhere
> > > with [] tdb
> > >
> > > --- "Abramoff, Jack (DC)"
> > <jacka@prestongates.com <mailto:jacka@prestongates.com>>
> > > wrote:
> > > > Yokwe Tony. Thanks so much! I am
> > > returning to
> > > > Asia
> > > > on July 15 through the
> > > > week of the FSM inauguration. Any
> chance
> > we can
> > > find some time to meet?
> > > >
> > > > -----Original > Message-----
> > > > From: tony debrum
> > > > [mailto:tdebrum@yahoo.com]
<mailto:[mailto:tdebrum@yahoo.com]>
> > > > Sent: Saturday,
> July 03,
> > > 1999 6:57 PM
> > > > To: Abramoff,
> > > > Jack (DC)
> > > > Subject: RE:
> > > > Yokwe
> > > > Tony
> > > > >
> > > > > Yokwe Jack:
> > > > > EMail is not easy in
> Apia,
> > > Samoa but I did
> > > > receive
> > > > > your
> > > > > latest. Getting
> > > > > back to Majuro on
> Tuesday
> > > and will go to
> > > > work on
> > > > > your bills

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> > > right away.
> > > REgards to all.
> tdb
> > > >
> > > > --- "Abramoff, Jack
> (DC)"
> > > > <jacka@prestongates.com <mailto:jacka@prestongates.com>>
> > > > wrote:
> > > > > Yokwe Tony,
> > > > >
> > > > > Just wanted to
> check to
> > see if you got
> > > this
> > > > email.
> > > > > We are sending out
> our
> > > > > May bill to you
> today.
> > The balance is
> > > getting
> > > > quite
> > > > > large and I am
> starting
> > > > > to get pressure
> here.
> > Please let me know
> > > if you
> > > > think we can get
> this paid
> > > > soon. Thanks so
> much my
> > friend.
> > > > >
> > > > > > Regards.
> > > > > >
> > > > > >
> > -----Original Message-----
> > > > >
> From:
> > Abramoff, Jack (DC)
> > > > >
> Sent:
> > Thursday, June 24,
> > > > 1999 6:02 PM
> > > > > To:
> > 'Tony DeBrum'
> > > > > >
> Subject:
> > Yokwe Tony
> > > > > >
> > > > > >
> Yokwe Tony,
> > > > > >
> > > > > > I
> hope you
> > are doing well.

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> > > I wanted to find
> > > out
> > > if you were
> > > planning on being
> in the
> > States any time
> > > soon.
> > > We
> > > are continuing to
> push
> > > forward on all
>
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Do You Yahoo!?
Get your free @yahoo.com address at <http://mail.yahoo.com>

From: Abramoff, Jack (DC)
Sent: Monday, July 19, 1999 1:01 PM
To: Ralston, Susan (DC)
Subject: FW: Bikini Atoll Trust Fund Legislation

Importance: High
Please fax to hotel in Saipan asap. Thanks.

-----Original Message-----

From: Vasell, Shawn (DC)
Sent: Monday, July 19, 1999 12:11 PM
To: 'tdebrum@yahoo.com'; 'zz--Ambassador Banny de Brum (email)'
Cc: 'Matt Zackhras'; Abramoff, Jack (DC); Funderburk, David (DC)
Subject: Bikini Atoll Trust Fund Legislation
Importance: High

Yokwe Tony and Ambassador de Brum:

Rep. Don Young is going to consider legislation (H.R. 2368) he introduced to fix the Bikini Atoll trust fund problem this Wednesday (July 21st) in the Resources Committee. Below is a copy of the memorandum set around to all the Resources Committee members. I am told that the legislation will be favorably reported from the Committee on Wednesday. Once it is out of Committee, we will begin working with leadership to get it on the suspension calendar and passed in the House. From there, we can work with Senate leadership to get it passed by unanimous consent. I am sending in a separate email the text of the legislation.

Best regards,

Shawn

> July 19, 1999

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> MEMORANDUM

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> TO: All Members, Committee on Resources

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> FROM: Don Young, Chairman

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> SUBJECT: Full Committee Markup

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> Pursuant to Rule 3(a) of the Committee Rules, you are hereby
> notified that the Committee on Resources will meet at 11:00 a.m. on
> Wednesday, July 21, 1999 in Room 1324 Longworth HOB to consider the
> following business:

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> NCTE ADDITIONAL BUSINESS:

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> Motion to adopt a resolution and report recommending that Ferdinand Aranza
> be held in contempt of Congress for failure to comply with the subpoena
> served on him on July 13, 1999, and reporting the matter to the full House
> for appropriate action.

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- > Motion to adopt a resolution granting Committee Chairman Don Young
- > authority to issue such subpoenas as he may deem necessary in relation to
- > an inquiry into partisan political activities by employees at the Office
- > of Insular Affairs and the U.S. Department of the Interior.
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- > PREVIOUSLY ANNOUNCED BUSINESS:
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- > H. Con Res. 63 (Hastings, WA) - Expressing the sense of the Congress
- > opposing removal of dams on the Columbia and Snake Rivers for fishery
- > restoration purposes. Subject to a discharge from the Subcommittee on
- > Water and Power and the Subcommittee on Fisheries, Conservation Wildlife,
- > and Oceans.
- >
- > S. 323 (Campbell) - to redesignate the Black Canyon of the Gunnison
- > National Monument as a national park and establish the Gunnison Gorge
- > National Conservation Area, and for other purposes. "Black Canyon
- > National Park and Gunnison Gorge National Conservation Area Act of 1999".
- > Subject to a discharge from the Subcommittee on National Parks and Public
- > Lands.
- >
- > H.R. 795 (Hill, MT) - to provide for the settlement of the water rights
- > claims of the Chippewa Cree Tribe of the Rocky Boy's Reservation, and for
- > other purposes. "Chippewa Cree Tribe of the Rocky Boy's Reservation
- > Indian Reserved Water Rights Settlement Act of 1999". Subject to a
- > discharge from the Subcommittee on Water and Power.
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- > H.R. 940 (Sherwood) - to establish the Lackawanna Heritage Valley American
- > Heritage Area. "Lackawanna Valley Heritage Area Act of 1999".
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- > H.R. 970 (Thune) - to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to provide
- > assistance to the Perkins County Rural Water System, Inc., for the
- > construction of water supply facilities in Perkins County, South Dakota.
- > "Perkins County Rural Water System Act of 1999". Subject to a discharge
- > from the Subcommittee on Water and Power.
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- > H.R. 1231 (Gibbons) - to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to convey
- > certain National Forest lands to Elko County, Nevada, for continued use as
- > a cemetery. (Subject to a discharge from the Subcommittee on Forests and
- > Forest Health.)
- >
- > H.R. 1444 (DeFazio) - to authorize the Secretary of the Army to develop
- > and implement projects for fish screens, fish passage devices, and other
- > similar measures to mitigate adverse impacts associated with irrigation
- > system water diversions by local governmental entities in the States of
- > Oregon, Washington, Montana, and Idaho.
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- > H.R. 1619 (Gejdenson) - to amend the Quinebaug and Shetucket Rivers Valley
- > National Heritage Corridor Act of 1994 to expand the boundaries of the
- > Corridor. "Quinebaug and Shetucket Rivers Valley National Heritage
- > Corridor Reauthorization Act of 1999".
- >
- > H.R. 2368 (Young-AK) - to assist in the resettlement and relocation of the
- > people of Bikini Atoll by amending the terms of the trust fund established
- > during the United States administration of the Trust Territory of the Pacific
- > Islands. "Bikini Resettlement and Relocation Act of 1999".
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- > H.R. 2435 (Goodling) - to expand the boundaries of the Gettysburg National

> Military Park to include the Wills House, and for other purposes.
>
> H.R. 2454 (Saxton) - to assure the long-term conservation and
> mid-continent light geese and the biological diversity of the ecosystem
> upon which many North American migratory birds depend, by directing the
> Secretary of the Interior to implement rules to reduce the overabundant
> population of mid-continent light geese.
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> Please provide 85 copies of any proposed amendments to bills to Christine
> Kennedy, 1328 Longworth HOB (x55150), no later than 11:00 a.m., Tuesday,
> July 20, 1999.
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